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TELEPHONE EXCHANGES IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have a proposal for expansion and modernisation of telephone exchanges in Tamil Nadu during 2001-2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government propose to set up new telephone exchanges in the State particularly in Sivganga and Ramanand districts;

(e) if so, the details thereof, district-wise; and

(f) the time by which these exchanges are likely to be set up?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c): It is planned to expand net switching capacity of exchanges in Tamil Nadu during 2001-2002. The district-wise details of net switching capacity addition of telephone exchanges in Tamil Nadu is given at Annexure-I. 97788 Lines have already been added from 1.4.2001 to 31.7.2001. All the telephone exchanges working in Tamil Nadu are modern digital electronic exchanges except Chennai where one analogue electronic exchange of 25000 lines is still working. It has been planned to replace the existing analogue exchange of 25000 lines with modern electronic digital exchange during 2001-2002.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The district-wise details of New Telephone Exchanges to be set up in the State during 2001-2002 particularly in Sivganga and Ramanand district is given at Annexure-II.

(f) It has been planned to set up these new exchanges by March 2002.

ANNEXURE-I

DISTRICT-WISE DETAILS OF EXPANSION PLANNED IN TAMIL NADU STATE DURING 2001-2002.

Sl. No. Name of the district Net capacity addition for wired telephone in lines

1 Ariyalur 1600
2 Coimbatore 34400
3 Cuddalore 15000
4 Dharmapuri 10100
5 Dindigul 7000
6 Erode 14300
7 Kancheepuram 7800
8 Kanyakumari 16700
9 Karur 7000
10 Madurai 7000
11 Nagapattinam 10400
12 Namakkal 6000
13 Nilgris 4500
14 Perambalur 3700
15 Pudukottai 3700
16 Ramanand 6250
17 Salem 14000
18 Sivganga 6250

19 Thanjavur 12500
20 Theni 2000
21 Tiruvarur 3600
22 Tirunelveli 6000
23 Tiruvannamalai 6000
24 Tiruvellore 3900
25 Trichy 8000
26 Tuticorin 5000
27 Vellore 16000
28 Villupuram 8000
29 Virudhunagar 5300
30 Chennai 185200
Tamil Nadu- Total 437200

ANNEXURE-II

THE DETAILS OF DISTRICT-WISE NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGES PLANNED IN TAMIL NADU STATE DURING 2001-2002.

Sl. No. Name of the district Net capacity addition for wired telephone in lines

1 Ariyalur 1
2 Coimbatore 0
3 Cuddalore 2
4 Dharmapuri 2
5 Dindigul 0
6 Erode 2
7 Kancheepuram 0
8 Kanyakumari 0
9 Karur 0
10 Madurai 0
11 Nagapattinam 3
12 Namakkal 0
13 Nilgris 0
14 Perambalur 1
15 Pudukottai 0
16 Ramanand 6
17 Salem 0
18 Sivganga 2
19 Thanjavur 2
20 Theni 0
21 Tiruvarur 0
22 Tirunelveli 0
23 Tiruvannamalai 2
24 Tiruvellore 0
25 Trichy 2
26 Tuticorin 2
27 Vellore 1
28 Villupuram 4
29 Virudhunagar 3
30 Chennai 40

Tamil Nadu- Total 75